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Sir:

In the Notice of Allowability mailed on December 9, 2010, in the above-referenced patent application, the Examiner objected to the drawings due to the submission by Applicants of an annotated version of Figure 2 in conjunction with the filing of the Amendment on November 2, 2010. In the Examiner's drawing objection, the Examiner states that it is unclear if this drawing is to be considered as a "Replacement Sheet" to the current Figure 2 or as a "New Sheet".

In response, Applicants respectfully submit that annotated Figure 2 is neither a Replacement Sheet nor a New Sheet. Rather, as discussed in the Amendment, the annotated version of Figure 2 was provided in conjunction with the arguments in the Amendment to merely assist the Examiner's understanding of the structure of Applicants' invention with respect to the claimed ceiling wall inlet mixing header. Thus, Applicants respectfully submit that annotated Figure 2 is not a Replacement Sheet or a New Sheet, but rather, is merely supportive of Applicants' arguments in the Amendment.

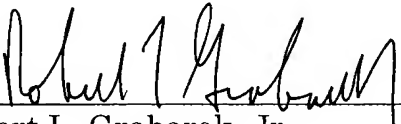
Therefore, Applicants respectfully submit that corrected drawing sheets are not required and additionally respectfully request that the Examiner's drawing objection in the Notice of Allowability be withdrawn.

The Office is invited to contact the undersigned should there be any question concerning this Paper. Applicants will assume that the drawing objection will be withdrawn by the Examiner unless Applicants are informed otherwise by the Office.

Applicants do not believe any fees are required in connection with this paper. The Office is authorized to charge any deficiency in fees, or credit any overpayment of fees, to the Deposit Account of Crowell & Moring LLP, Account Number 05-1323 (Docket No.: 101437.57334US).

Respectfully submitted,
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